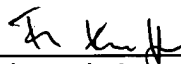


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CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS

1. A dosing spoon for microtablets with a spoon handle (10) and with a lower part (1) which consists of an even polygone which possesses a border (2) on all sides with exception of one side and whereby the lower part (1) has several rows of individual recesses which are formed in such a way that an individual microtablet fits in each individual recess, wherein the individual recesses for receiving the microtablets in the lower part (1) of the open-top configured dosing spoon are made of cylindrical bore holes (3) which are configured in the lower- part (1) in obliquely offset placed rows and that the borderless side (8) of the lower part (1) is running parallel to the longitudinal axis of the spoon handle (10) which runs in longitudinal direction to the side of the lower part (1) which shows the border which is opposite the borderless side (8) of the lower part (1) .
2. A dosing spoon according to claim 1, wherein the polygone of the lower part (1) is made of a square in form of a parallelogram in which the opposing sides have the same lengths, whereby preferably the small angle (4) between two sides of the parallelogram is between 45° and 90° and whereby one long side (5) of the parallelogram as well as the two shorter sides (6, 7) are provided with a border (2) .

3. A dosing spoon according to claim 2, wherein the border (2) of the two shorter sides (6, 7) of the parallelogram slightly projects over the polygone, for example up to 5 mm vertically.
4. A dosing spoon according to claim 1, wherein the diameter and the depth of the cylindrical bore hole (3) are bigger than the biggest diagonal of a microtablet.
5. A dosing spoon according to claim 1, wherein the diameter and the depth of the cylindrical bore hole (3) are between 1 ,5 mm and 4,0 mm.
6. A dosing spoon according to claim 1, wherein the correspondence of the cylindrical bore holes (3) in the lower part (1) is close together.
7. A dosing spoon according to claim 1, wherein the total number of the cylindrical bore holes (3) in the lower part (1) corresponds to the quantity of the microtablets to be received, whereby the number of the cylindrical bore holes (3) is from 5 to 100, preferably from 10 to 60.

8. A dosing spoon according to claim 1, wherein on the borderless side (8) of the polygone a zone without bore holes, which has preferably a width up to 1 cm, is configured for facilitating the filling of the cylindrical bore holes (3) with microcapsules.

MARKED-UP VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS

1. A dosing spoon for microtablets with a spoon handle (10) and with a lower part (1) which consists of an even polygone which possesses a border (2) on all sides with exception of one side and whereby the lower part (1) has several rows of individual recesses which are formed in such a way that an individual microtablet fits in each individual recess, [characterized in that] wherein the individual recesses for receiving the microtablets in the lower part (1) of the open-top configured dosing spoon are made of cylindrical bore holes (3) which are configured in the lower- part (1) in obliquely offset placed rows and that the borderless side (8) of the lower part (1) is running parallel to the longitudinal axis of the spoon handle (10) which runs in longitudinal direction to the side of the lower part (1) which shows the border which is opposite the borderless side (8) of the lower part (1) .

2. A dosing spoon according to claim 1, [characterized in that] wherein the polygone of the lower part (1) is made of a square in form of a parallelogram in which the opposing sides have the same lengths, whereby preferably the small angle (4) between two sides of the parallelogram is between 45° and 90° and whereby one long side (5) of the parallelogram as well as the two shorter sides (6, 7) are provided with a border (2) .

3. A dosing spoon according to claim 2, [characterized in that] wherein the border (2) of the two shorter sides (6, 7) of the parallelogram slightly projects over the polygone, for example up to 5 mm vertically.
4. A dosing spoon according to [any of the claims 1 to 3, characterized in that] claim 1, wherein the diameter and the depth of the cylindrical bore hole (3) are bigger than the biggest diagonal of a microtablet.
5. A dosing spoon according to [any of the claims 1 to 4, characterized in that] claim 1, wherein the diameter and the depth of the cylindrical bore hole (3) are between 1 ,5 mm and 4,0 mm.
6. A dosing spoon according to [any of the claims 1 to 5, characterized in that] claim 1, wherein the correspondence of the cylindrical bore holes (3) in the lower part (1) is close together.

7. A dosing spoon according to [any of the claims 1 to 6,
characterized in
that] claim 1, wherein the total number of the cylindrical bore
holes (3) in the lower part (1) corresponds to the quantity of the
microtablets to be received, whereby the number of the cylindrical
bore holes (3) is from 5 to 100, preferably from 10 to 60.
8. A dosing spoon according to [any of the claims 1 to 7 ,
characterized in
that] claim 1, wherein on the borderless side (8) of the polygone
a zone without bore holes, which has preferably a width up to 1 cm,
is configured for facilitating the filling of the cylindrical bore
holes (3) with microcapsules.